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Via ECFS Marlene H. Dortch, Secretary Federal Communications Commission 445 12th Street, S.W. Washington, D.C. 20554

## Re: In the Matter of Petition of USTelecom for Forbearance Pursuant to 47 U.S.C. Section 160(c); WC Docket No. 18-141; Category 1

Dear FCC,

I am writing to let you know why I changed my broadband provider to SONIC late last year.

They are local. When I call them they are almost next door, or up the street, and understand my concerns. There is no phone cue, as with Comcast. I am never put on hold while I am barraged with obnoxious advertising for "products" and promotions.

The people are real.

SONIC has provided an already sizable investment in fibre optic cabling to my office. Everyone in my building has changed over to SONIC.

Phone service is priced much better than my former provider (AT&T) and is a superior package, no extra charges for long distance, no extra charges for calling Canada.

SONIC is the competition that we have all been looking for in this area. We finally found it. Now it is obvious the monolithic companies are attempting to eliminate it because they cannot compete with SONIC at any level or on any significant issue.

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